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1. Until lately the Soviet Legation in Rio de Janeiro has aided those Curzon Line Poles who had turned their Polish passports over to the Soviet Embassy, but who had been unable to secure a Russian passport prior to the closing of the latter mission.
2. The recent policy, however, has been unofficially to advise applicants or persons in need of assistance to direct their petitions to the Soviet Legation in Montevideo, with the explanation that the Polish Legation cannot attend to these cases.
3. The change in policy is believed to stem from a desire on the part of the Polish Legation to avoid any activities which might attract the attention of the Brazilian authorities, or which might result in claims that the Legation is carrying out the functions of the Soviet Government without the permission of the Brazilian authorities.

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